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SUBJECT: PRODUCT OPPORTUNITY: F-5-E PURCHASE

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- 1. OVERSEAS PRODUCT SALES GROUP, USDOC, HAS BEEN ASKED BY NORTHROP VICE PRESIDENT TO ASSIST EVERY WAY POSSIBLE WITH OFFSET PROBLEMS ON PLANNED AIRPLANE PURCHASE BY GOS.
- 2. NORTHROP ADVISES THAT THEY HAVE EXPLORED OFFSET FROM STANDPOINT OF WHAT SWISS INDUSTRY COULD ECONOMICALLY MANUFACTURE IN THE WAY OF SMALLER ITEMS FOR THEIR OWN AIRPLANES. HOWEVER, DOES NOT CONSIDER THIS WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO SATISFY INDICATED TOTAL OFFSET PACKAGE DESIRED.
- 3. REQUEST EMBASSY EXPLORE OTHER INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION AREAS WHICH MAY BE IN TROUBLE WHERE A PURCASE OF THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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PRODUCT OR WHERE NORTHROP ASSISTANCE IN MARKETING SUCH PRODUCT WOULD RESULT IN THE CUMULATIVE TOTAL OFFSET DESIRED BY GOS.

4. CONTENTS REFTEL NOTED, REQUEST EMBASSY CONTINUE TO REPORT ON SUCH OTHER FACTORS THAT CAN HAVE POSITIVE OR ADVERSE INFLUENCE ON FAVORABLE SWISS DECISIONS TO PURCHASE U.S. AIRPLANES. KISSINGER

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